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FIGHTING IN CRETE

European and Turkish Warships Fire Upon the Insurgents.

CHRISTIANS ALMOST IN FULL CONTROL

Rout Turkish Troops, Capture Malaxa and Burn the Town and May Now Advance on Keratidi—Situation Most Alarming.

Canea, March 26.—The fighting in the vicinity of Malaxa continued all yesterday afternoon. It was especially desperate at 3 o'clock in the village of Tsicalaria, where the insurgents set fire to a number of Turkish houses. The insurgents are now occupying part of Malaxa. The European war ships shelled them last night, the firing lasting about ten minutes. The insurgents, however, held their ground close to the ruins of the blockhouse from which they drove the Turkish garrison Wednesday night, and did not seem to greatly mind the bombardment. When the Turkish troops evacuated the blockhouse they set fire to it in order that it might not furnish a shelter to their enemies. It was, however, badly wrecked by the fire of the rebels.

No Match for Insurgents.

It is evident here that the Turkish troops here are no match for the insurgents. A body of troops made an attempt to gain the heights of Nerck-Ouru, where the Keratidi blockhouse is situated. With this position and the one at Malaxa in their possession the insurgents would be able to completely blockade Canea from the land side. The troops had gone only a little distance when they were attacked by insurgents, who drove them back. Later another attempt was made to reach the heights, but this, too proved unsuccessful. A body of insurgents made an attack upon the Turkish cordon at Halepa. The Turks had a number of mountain guns, and the fire from them prevented the insurgents coming to close quarters. It was this alone which saved the Moslems from defeat. Montevardia and Halepa are both within range of the guns of the insurgents, who continue to shell both places.

Malaxa Fired by Insurgents.

Last night part of Malaxa was blown up with dynamite, and the rest of the town is burning. The Turkish warships in Suda bay bombarded the insurgents, but their fire appears to be wholly ineffective. Malaxa is one of the towns mentioned by the foreign admirals in their proclamation, issued on Tuesday, that must not be attacked by Greek troops or insurgents. The admirals declared that the fortifications, which were needed to "maintain security and quiet," must not be fired upon, otherwise they would use force against the attackers. It was the disobedience of the insurgents to this proclamation that led the foreign warships to bombard them. These vessels fired ninety shells, three of which fell within the fort.

May Now Destroy Keratidi.

After the place had been evacuated by its garrison, which numbered sixty-four men, the troops scattered in any direction that led to the coast in order to escape from their pursuers. One of them reached Nerock-Ouru and eighteen managed to make their way to Suda. The others have not been heard from, and it is supposed they were killed. The Mussulmans here, and they comprise almost the entire population, are in a state of great excitement. They fear that the insurgents, elated by their capture and destruction of Malaxa, will attack Keratidi.

MIGHT SEARCH OUR VESSELS.

One Effect of the Blockade Upon American Trade with Crete.

London, March 26.—In the house of commons Right Hon. George N. Curson, under foreign secretary, said in reply to an inquiry on the subject, that British and American merchant vessels and ships of the same class of other nationalities, consigned to agents at ports in Crete, were liable to be searched should they attempt to reach their destinations despite the blockade of the island and would also run the risk of being prevented from delivering their cargoes, at the discretion of the admirals commanding the foreign warships in Cretan waters. The lockade, Mr. Curzon said, was a aeasure of police enforced with the consent of the sovereign powers.

Greek Blockade Runners Captured.

Canea, March 26.—The Austrian cruiser Satellit has arrived in Suda bay, having in custody a Greek steamer with sixty volunteers on board and a Greek sailing vessel laden with ammunition intended for the Cretan insurgents. These vessels were captured by the Satellit while they were attempting to run the blockade.

England To Take a Negative Part.

Constantinople, March 26.—It is stated here that in the event of a blockade of Greek ports by the warships of the powers the admiral commanding the British squadron is under instruction to acquiesce therein, but the British fleet will take no part in the actual blockade.

PERSONAL ESTATE TAXES.

Important Measure Favorably Reported to the Assembly at Albany.

Albany, March 26.—One of the most important bills of the session has been favorably reported to the assembly. It is the scheme for graduated transfer taxes advocated by State Comptroller Roberts. The measure provides that where a personal estate is subjected to a transfer tax of 5 per cent. and the value of such estate exceeds $500,000 an additional tax shall be imposed on the entire estate so taxed at the accumulating rate of 1 per cent. for each additional $250,000 or major fraction thereof, except that if the entire estate exceeds $3,000,000 it shall be subject to taxation at the aggregate rate of 15 per cent. Where a personal estate is subject to a transfer tax of 1 per cent. and the value of such estate exceeds $1,000,000 an additional tax shall be imposed on the entire estate so taxable at the accumulating rate of ½ of 1 per cent. on each additional $250,000 or major fraction thereof above $2,500,000, except that if the entire estate exceeds $4,000,000 it shall be subject to taxation at the aggregate rate of 10 per cent.

GREATER NEW YORK.

The Charter Passed Yesterday Will Become a Law.

Albany, March 26.—The Greater New York charter, which was passed by the senate yesterday without amendment by a vote of 39 to 9, now goes to the mayors of the cities of New York, Brooklyn and Long Island City for their approval. Mayor Gleason of Long Island City and Mayor Wurster of Brooklyn will approve the measure, and it is certain that Mayor Strong of New York while non-committal, will do so likewise. The charter will then go for signature to Gov. Black, who heratily favors it. The names of those who voted against the bill are Ahearn, Featherson, Foley, Grady, Guy, Martin, McCarren, Mullin and Munzinger, all democrats with the exception of Mullin.

Anti-Kinetoscope Bill.

Albany, March 26.—The bill introduced in the senate yesterday to prohibit pictorial exhibitions of pugilism or boxing in the state of New York is as follows: "It shall be unlawful to exhibit in any place whatever in this state, by means of any picture, pictorial prints, scenes or performances, or by any illustrated exhibitions whatever, any representations of any pugilistic or boxing contests or of any fistic encounters of any similar kind or character. Any person who violates this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction, shall be punished by imprisonment in a county jail or penitentiary for a term of not less than six months nor more than one year and by a fine of not less than $500 nor more than $1,000, or by both said fine and imprisonment."

Expelled for "Obvious Fraud."

New York, March 26.—The board of directors of the Consolidated Stock and Petroleum exchange, at a meeting last night, expelled for "obvious fraud" William E. Allen of Allen & Fosdick, stock brokers. The firm was accused of "pocketing" the orders of Mrs. J. D F. Nash of Bridgeport, Conn., and retaining $47,000 in securities deposited by her as margin.

Sullivan Challenges Fitzsimmons.

Boston, March 26.—The following was printed out by a morning paper: "I have deposited $1,000 in case with a temporary stakeholder on behalf of John L. Sullivan, and challenge Robert Fitzsimmons to a fight to a finish, with gloves, before the club giving the largest purse, $5,000 a side and the championship of the world, within nine months from date.

"FRANK V. DUNN."

$10,000,000 for School Buildings.

Albany, March 26.—The Austin bills, authorizing New York city to issue $10,000,000 in bonds for new school buildings and providing for the issue of $2,500,000 in bonds for new high school buildings in New York city, will be reported favorably in the assembly to-day by the cities committee.

For Organization of Our Artillery.

Washington, March 26.—In the senate Mr. Foraker has introduced a bill by request which provides for a modern organization of the artillery of the army. It provides for a full corps of artillery and four regiments of field artillery, one of horse, two of mounted and one of siege artillery.

Miss Lydia Traipe Dead.

Portsmouth, N. H., March 26.—Miss Lydia Traipe, one of the eldest residents of Kittery, Me., is dead, aged 91 years. In her will she leaves $50,000 to that town as an endowment for an academy of learning.

Naval News.

Washington, March 26.—The Katahdin has arrived at Norfolk, the Philadelphia at Acapulco, the Yorktown at Wuhu, and the Machias has sailed from Hong Kong for Chefoo.

Germany To Send Troops to Africa.

London, March 26.—The Birmingham Post publishes a dispatch from Berlin which says that Germany is making preparations to send 3,000 troops to Southwest Africa in April.

700 WERE MASSACRED

True Story of the Butchery of Armenians at Tokat.

SULTAN FORCED TO TAKE ACTION

Orders That the Guilty Ones Be Apprehended and Brought to Justice—The British Minister Will Watch the Proceedings.

Constantinople, March 26.—Further and probably more accurate details of the recent massacres of Armenians at Tokat, in the Sivas district of Anatolia, have been received at the Armenian patriarchate here. The first report of the affair was issued by the government. This declared that fifteen Armenians and three Mussulmans had been killed. Later information was received at the embassies showing that fully 100 defenseless Armenians had fallen victims to the fury of the Moslems at Tokat, and this number, it was thought, was probably correct. The news received last evening at the patriarchate shows that both statements were incorrect and that the number of victims was fully 700. It is stated at the patriarchate that these figures were obtained from reliable persons in Tokat and the vicinity, and that the number of victims stated is without doubt correct. Sir Philip Currie, the British ambassador, made a most vigorous protest against the massacre in a note to the porte, and as a result of his action the sultan has ordered the dismissal and immediate arrest of the Turkish officials in Tokat who are suspected of complicity in the massacre, and the appointment of a special commission to try them. It is believed that the British ambassador will watch the trial closely to see that it does not prove a farce.

ANTI-PORTRAIT BILL.

Three Important Amendments to the Ellsworth Measure in New York Senate.

Albany, March 26.—Ellsworth anti-portrait bill, reported favorably by the senate committee, contains three important amendments. The first makes the bill apply to those who circulate prohibited papers as well as those who publish them. The second provides that no action can be maintained for violation unless complaint is made by the person whose portrait is published or by the latter's attorney. The third provides that the law shall not apply to publishing portraits of fugitives from justice. Senator Malby, chairman of the codes committee, believes that these amendments will remove most of the opposition to the bill, as no one whose portrait may be printed will be likely to prosecute unless malice is shown.

Murderer Butler's Voyage.

San Francisco, March 26.—Murderer Bulter, alias Ashe, will occupy cabin No. 32 on the steamer Mariposa, which sails for Australia next week. Everything will be taken out of the room Butler uses except the two berths and the settee. The square windows will be grated and when the door of the cabin is left open a latticed frame of strong material will occupy the space opening into the passage. There will be several kinds of safeguards in the shape of feet manacles, leather mittens and handcuffs, but these will be used in a way calculated to cause the least annoyance to the prisoner. Night and day a constant watch will be kept.

Grand American Handicap Winner.

Long Branch, N. J., March 26.—T. A. Marshall of Keithsburg, Ill., who was the winner of the Grand American Handicap, which was decided at Elkwood park yesterday, made a clean score of twenty-five birds. His share of the prize money is $500. This is insignificant, however, compared to the honor of winning the greatest shooting match in the history of the sport. Dr. W. F. Carver of Chicago and Henry Koegle of Newark, who shoots under the name of "Henry See," had a good show of tying Marshall. They killed as many birds, but in each case one fell dead out of bounds.

Ships Damaged by Storms.

Philadelphia, March 26.—The steamer Dalmatia, here from Dantzic, encountered heavy gales on passage, sustaining damage to her bridge, stanchions and decks. The steamer Strathlyon, here from Cardiff, reports that in a gale she had a starboard boat, her engine room skylights and the starboard end of her bridge carried away, besides sustaining other damage about the decks. The steamer Energie, here from Bremerhaven, lost one blade of her screw on the passage.

Equitable Aid Union Trouble.

Erie, Pa., March 26.—Judge Noyes of Warran has refused to grant a motion for a receiver for class B of the Equitable Aid union. The movement to get the class into the hands of a receiver was prompted by the members of class A, which is already in the hands of a receiver. The members charge President Morgan with betraying the affairs of the order to a rival institution, into which, they claim, he is trying to force the Equitable Aid union members.

LABOR IS ALSO HIT

Far-Reaching Effect of the Trans-Missouri Decision.

GREAT ORGANIZATIONS IN DANGER

Labor Leaders Greatly Surprised, But Refuse at Present To Discuss the Matter—May Escape on Account of Not Being Incorporated.

New York, March 26.—The suggestion that the decision of the United States supreme court in the Trans-Missouri association case also applies to combinations of labor as well as combinations formed by railroad officers and managers came as a great surprise to the labor leaders, and while the few seen by a press representative said it would fall as a great blow in their ranks, they all declined to further discuss the subject until they had time to study the matter and consult with their legal advisers. Frederick W. Whitridge, of the law firm of Cary & Whitridge, counsel for the reorganization committee of the Reading railroad, as well as the counsel of a number of other railroads, said: "The decision of the supreme court is undoubtedly very important. It means, for one thing, that no set of railroad managers can sit around a table and agree to charge a certain fixed rate on traffic or to divide it in a certain way. If they do so it is a penal offense under the Sherman anti-trust law of 1890." "But how about the labor organizations—the Knights of Labor, the American Railway union and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen. Doesn't the law in regard to conspiracies affecting interstate commerce and trade apply to them under this decision?" "Logically it does, for they are the best regulated and the most binding upon their members of any of the existing trusts. Unlike the railroads, they are not incorporated. The decision, however, certainly applies to them."

Opens the Way for Rate Wars.

Former Judge Dillon was asked regarding the nature and effect of the decision. He said: "The great object of such agreement on the part of railroad companies is not to secure unreasonable rates, but to prevent the private and public loss and evils that flow from secret rebates, rate cutting and rate wars. Measurably these agreements effected that end. When such agreements are annulled there is nothing to protect the railway companies or the public against the grave evils of rate cutting and rate wars, except the self interest of the companies, and possibly certain provisions of the interstate commerce act, which requires notice of raising or lowering of rates. How far this will operate to protect them I am unable to say. In view of the importance of stable rates and the evils of rate cutting, I regard the practical effect of the decision as an unmixed misfortune, not only to railway companies but to the public, unless it shall be the means of bringing congressional relief. That could be and ought to be in the form of an act that will authorize the making of rate agreements and of pooling, subject to the right and power of the interstate commerce commission to set them aside if found against the public interest. The heart of the anti-trust act is the prohibition expressed in the following language: 'Section 1. Every contract, combination in the form of trust or otherwise, or conspiracy in restrain of trade or commerce among the several states or with foreign nations, is hereby declared to be illegal, and punishable by fine and imprisonment as a misdemeanor; and the circuit courts of the United States are invested by the act with jurisdiction to prevent and restrain violations of it.'"

GOV. WOLCOTT WILL ATTEND

No Massachusetts Troops for Grant Monument Dedication in New York.

Boston, March 26.—From present indications Massachusetts will send none of her militia to the formal dedication of Grant's tomb at Riverside park, New York. While a general invitation has been extended by Gen. McAlpin of New York to the other states of the union to send on their soldiers, no formal invitations have been received here. Gov. Wolcott has received an invitation from Mayor Strong of New York to attend with his staff. His excellency will accept the invitation and take over enough of his bodyguard to make a showing. The governor said this morning that he did not feel called upon to communicate in any way with the general court on the subject of representation.

President Eliot's Son Dead.

Boston, March 26.—Charles Eliot, son of President Eliot of Harvard college, died yesterday afternoon. He was a member of the landscape gardening firm of Olmstead, Olmstead & Eliot of Brookline. He was 37 years of age and leaves a widow and three children.

Calumet & Hecla Dividend.

Boston, March 26.—The Calumet & Hecla Mining company directors have declared a dividend of $5 a share.

NO CAUSE FOR COMPLAINT.

Civil Service Commission Justifies Itself as to Filling Vacancies.

Washington, March 26.—In response to a senate resolution the civil service commission has sent to the senate copies of all its orders, etc., relative to the application of the civil service rules to the operations of the engineer department under the war department. This class was put under the civil service by President Cleveland, May 6, 1896. The commission, at some length, shows what the law is and how persons are employed and adds that so far as the commission is concerned there has been no cause for complaint as to delay or embarrassment in filling vacancies or in carrying on the operations in charge of the department. With respect to the future, the commission says it does not see how the provision of the civil service rules can interfere with or embarrass the operations of the department. The commission say that it believes when its plans have been perfected the operations of the engineer department will be conducted in a better manner than under the old system.

TARIFF CHANGES.

Republicans Considering Amendments to the Coal and Strawboard Schedules.

Washington, March 26.—The republican members of the ways and means committee are informally considering an amendment to the tariff bill which will reduce the duty on coal from 75 to 60 cents a ton. The Canadian duty on coal is 60 cents a ton, and the intention of the committee is to make the duty reciprocal. It is also argued that the superior quality of the American coal is, in itself, a very considerable protection against the Nova Scotia product. The republican members of the committee are also considering the advisability of changing the paragraph relating to strawboards upon which a straight duty of 20 per cent. was fixed in the bill. It is purposed to write in an additional paragraph having especial reference to strawboards dyed and painted, and on these increasing the duty 5 or 10 per cent., probably the latter.

MORE TREASURY APPLICANTS.

Another List of "Willings" Made Public by the Department.

Washington, March 26.—The following applications for positions under the treasury department have been made public: J. C. Twitchell of Meriden, Conn., to be auditor for the war department, at Washington, D. C. To be collectors of customs—S. D. Slemmons of Newcastle, Pa., at Erie, Pa.; L. S. Hough of Media, Pa., at Philadelphia; Thomas Lee of Philadelphia, at Philadelphia. To be naval officers of customs—A. S. Twitchell of Gorham, N. H., at Boston; W. H. Sloane of New York, at New York. To be apprisers of customs—J. B. Ruth of Philadelphia, at Philadelphia; L. B. Carhart of Peekskill, N. Y., to be assistant appraiser of customs at New York. J. A. Thompson of Boston to be examiner of drugs, at Boston. J. A. Doty of New York and W. T. Cunningham of Philadelphia to be general appraiser at New York.

TURKISH MISSION.

Gen. Howard Says Ex-Secretary Foster Can Have the Place if He Wants It.

Burlington, Vt., March 26.—Gen. O. O. Howard, whose name has been prominently mentioned in connection with the office of minister to Turkey, was seen by a reporter of the Free Press last night. He said he had known for some time that ex-secretary John W. Foster could go as minister or ambassador, as the case may be, if he wished to. Gen. Howard believes a better man could not be selected for the place, as Mr. Foster has the highest character and has had abundant experience in diplomacy. Gen. Howard appears to desire nothing better than to remain in his own country and in Burlington.

Assistant Secretaries Want To Go.

Washington, March 26.—There is no likelihood that any changes in the positions of the assistant secretaries of the treasury will be made before April 1 and probably not until later in that month. All the assistant secretaries—Wike, Curtis and Hamlin—promptly handed in their resignations after March 4, but Secretary Gage has requested them to remain until he can look over the ground thoroughly. Mr. Hamlin has informed Secretary Gage that he is anxious to return to Boston and resume his law practice by April 1, and that in no event can he remain here later than April 15.

Confirmed by the Senate.

Washington, March 26.—The senate has confirmed the following nominations: Boyd H. Jones, United States attorney for the district of Massachusetts; Bernard Bettman, collector of internal revenue for the First district of Ohio; Chester H. Brush of Connecticut, recorder of the general land office.

Question of Prize-fight Pictures at Concord.

Concord, N. H., March 26.—In the house the petition of the Manchester ministerial association asking for legislation to prevent the exhibition of any kind of pictures of prize-fights was referred to the committee on national affairs.

BIMETALLIC SUBJECT

Wolcott on Japan's Action in Adopting the Gold Standard.

INTERESTING AND FAR-REACHING

Japan Simply Attempting To Preserve the Economic Advantages She Now Enjoys—Should Hasten International Agreement.

Washington, March 26.—Concerning the recent action of Japan in adopting the gold standard, Senator Wolcott, who but lately returned from abroad after interviews relating to the proposed international monetary conference on behalf of this government, this morning said: "The monetary situation in Japan is not only interesting, but most far-reaching, and perhaps not generally understood. The result which Japan seeks is to make permanent the depreciation of silver in relation to gold and to preserve thereby the advantages which this depreciation naturally gives to Japanese agriculture and Japanese industries, and it is not in any sense an attempt to equalize values. There was a time in the history of the United States when we might have taken a step identical with that which Japan now proposes. If during the years of our civil war, when our money was worth but 50 per cent. of the gold dollar, we had declared that henceforth our dollar should be of the value of fifty cents only in gold, our legislation would have been parallel with that which Japan evidently intends. We chose to follow a different path. The action of Japan accords in a measure with that of Austria a few years since and with the action projected in Russia, with this difference: Austria forced the permanent depreciation of its money, measured in gold, to the extent of some 16 per cent.; Russia will establish a reduction of about 33 per cent. in the value of its rouble, while Japan proposes to permanently depreciate its exchange, relative to gold, so as to lower the value of the yen to about forty-eight cents on the dollar. The action of Japan must not be construed as an attempt to establish and maintain a gold standard; it is simply an attempt to preserve the economic advantages which she at present enjoys, because of the gold premium which exists in Japan, and this at the expense of the great commercial countries of the world, which have heretofore maintained the stability of their coinage as well as their financial integrity. Of course, at the present price of silver, measured by gold, the result of the action of Japan would be to drive all its silver out of that country. It is premature, however, to attempt to forecast the full effect of her action in this respect. The course of Japan must, in my opinion, only serve to hasten some agreement between the leading commercial nations of the world, looking to a settlement of this question upon an international basis."

HYPNOTISM AND INSANITY.

Interesting Testimony in the Suit of Mrs. Case Against Relatives.

Rome, N. Y., March 26.—In the action of Mrs. Emma D. Case, of Utica, vs. Edward D. Case et al., which is on trial in the supreme court here, some interesting testimony has been brought out. Mrs. Case is suing for $10,000 damages, claiming that her brother-in-law, Edward D Case; her brother, Edward Dopp, of Rochester, and Drs. Earl Fuller and Albert J. Browne of Utica, conspired to place her in the Utica state hospital for the insane, in order to secure her property. The plaintiff is a spiritualist, and her witnesses were mainly members of that sect. For the defense the testimony has been largely given by insanity experts. Dr. Mahon, superintendent of the St. Lawrence state hospital who was assistant physician in the Utica hospital when Mrs. Case was an inmate there, testified on the cross-examination that he had practiced hypnotism on both patients and attendants in the asylum, and that he had perfect control over them. He said that he considered hypnotism of value in treating the insane. He said no one else in the Utica state hospital practiced hypnotism, but he knew of physicians in other hospitals who did.

His Accounts in Suspicion.

Portsmouth, N. H., March 26.—A committee has been appointed by the Rockingham county delegation to visit county treasurer Arthur L. Emerson of Chester and make an investigation regarding the funds of the county in his possession. It is not yet openly asserted that there has been any misapplication of funds, but certain facts that have come to light threw suspicion upon the treasurer's accounts. He has been requested to appear before the delegation four times, but has failed to appear and has given no reason for his non-appearance.

Libeled for Salvage.

Halifax, N. S., March 26.—The British steamer, Orthia, which was towed into this port Tuesday by the British steamer Indralema, has been libeled by the latter steamer for salvage. The amount claimed is $25,000.

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WHAT WILL BE THE END?

The Eastern Question May Be Nearing Its Solution.

Should Greece Persist in Stirring Up Strife in Macedonia the Great Powers Would Be Compelled to Take Sides.

[Special Letter]

To speak of what may be the ultimate outcome of the present misunderstanding between Greece and the great European powers would be idle speculation. Every day may bring with it developments disastrous to the Hellenic kingdom or to the peace of Europe. Events in the past month have proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that the so-called European "concert" is an iridescent dream. The people of Italy, for instance, are so heartily in favor of Greece's claims that the government could not live a fortnight should it attempt to take sides against the army of liberation in Crete. Public opinion in Great Britain and France is also with the Greeks who, standing alone and unsupported, rushed to the defense of their persecuted brethren in Candia, under the leadership of Prince George of Greece.

Admitting, for the sake of argument, that Greece was selfish in its work of rescue, that it cared more for the annexation of the naturally wealthy island than for the sufferings of its inhabitants, the fact remains that its defiance of Turkey and of Mussulman fanaticism called to the attention of the world the pusillanimity of the "great powers," which for years have stood idly by while the sultan's minions massacred tens of thousands of Christian men, women and children in Armenia, Macedonia and other provinces. The invasion of Crete by the soldiers of Greece has done more to impress upon Sultan Abdul Hamid the uncertainty of his position than all the "collective notes" which have been left at his palace by the ambassadors of the powers. It has cowed the unspeakable Turk to such an extent that he is glad to have the marines of Russia, Great Britain, Italy, France, Austria and Germany act as his police officers and mediators—a proceeding which he would have spurned a few years ago. Whether Greece is to receive any immediate benefit from its heroic and humanitarian enterprise or not, the people of Crete will hereafter enjoy a measure of freedom equal to that granted a few years ago to their brethren in Bulgaria. And eventually, it may be taken for granted, the island will become an integral part of the Hellenic kingdom.

PRINCE GEORGE OF GREECE.

MAP OF GREECE, CRETE AND MACEDONIA.

The island of Crete, in which public interest is centered just now, has an area of about 3,300 square miles and a population of 270,000, of whom 200,000 are Christians. It has been essentially Greek for 2,800 years. As early as 1000 B. C. the Dorians founded a number of independent republics on the island, which were not conquered by the Romans until 67 B. C. In the partition of the empire Crete fell to the east. It was conquered by the Saracens in A. D. 823, and reconquered in 961. When Constantinople was captured by the Crusaders the island was given to Boniface, marquis of Montferrat, who, in 1204, sold it to the Venetians who held it against the Turks until 1669, when all but the mountaineers became subjects of Turkey. Insurrections since then have been frequent, and in 1830 the island was ceded to Egypt, but was restored to Turkey in 1841. A general insurrection broke out in 1858, and in 1866 the entire Christian population joined in an effort to throw off the Turkish yoke. In 1868 the powers intervened to secure reforms and compelled the sultan to grant a new constitution, whose provisions, however, were constantly ignored by the Turkish officials. Another attempt to secure freedom and annexation to Greece was made in 1878, but again frustrated by the intervention of the powers. A clause was inserted in the treaty of Berlin promising extension of the guarantees of 1868. The Turkish representatives promised faithfully to carry out the reforms demanded, but the promises were only made to be broken, and ever since 1880 the Cretans have struggled for liberty.

It is not generally understood that, in a measure, the warfare in Crete has been a fratricidal struggle. The Turks never had much influence in the island, except perhaps in a few coast towns. Most of the fighting has been done by the "Othomanoi," who are renegade Christians. Three-fourths of the native Cretans are communicants of the Greek church, the other fourth has embraced Mohammedanism. Historians have time and again pointed out the wonderful "adhesiveness" and fanaticism of Moslemism, and to these must be attributed the success of the minority. Religious renegades are fierce and intolerant, and when these misguided Cretans were encouraged by their spiritual advisers to strike blows for the prophet and their holy religion they became fiends who looked upon the destruction of their brethren as a work pleasing to the eyes and nostrils of Allah. The Christians, on the other hand, have been divided into many factions, each recognizing its own petty leader and neglecting to work together for the salvation of all. But with the arrival of the Greek troops a new spirit came into the land, and every Christian in Crete now yearns for union with the country which, in the hour of direst need, came to the rescue.

From an international viewpoint the existing condition of affairs is intensely interesting. The powers know that Greece has several trump cards which it can play with great effect should it be compelled to acquiesce in the proposals to grant autonomy to Crete under the suzerainty of Turkey. At the Berlin conference of 1878 Theodore Delyannis, now prime minister of Greece, made an earnest plea for the incorporation of Crete with the Hellenic kingdom. He warned the statesmen constituting the congress that sooner or later the powers would have to face the Cretan problem and predicted that if they could not arrive at a settlement then they would eventually have to deal with Thessaly and Macedonia also, whose people were anxious to become Greeks in fact as well as name. Mr. Delyannis is now in a position to say "I told you so," for all Macedonia is but waiting for the word to drive the Turkish troops out of the country, and the same state of affairs exists in that portion of Thessaly which still belongs to Turkey. Greece itself is stronger than it was in 1878. Its government, from King George down, is immensely popular with the people.

Greece may be playing a bold game of bluff, but the concentration of 20,000 reserves on the borders of Thessaly might be interpreted as meaning that she will carry out the bluff. The sultan evidently fears that active hostilities cannot be postponed much longer and is making frantic efforts to send fresh troops to Thessaly and Macedonia. Thousands of reserves have recently left Salonica for the frontier, but they were an ill-clad, poorly-fed crowd who could not withstand an onslaught from the muscular, well-kept Greeks, unless enough Mohammedan fanaticism could be instilled into them to look upon the war as a holy crusade. With this conviction in his mind the Turkish soldier at once becomes a most dangerous enemy and most cruel and reckless fighter.

It has been intimated that Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria has made overtures to Greece to join it in a war against Turkey and that King Alexander of Servia is willing to take an offensive and defensive part in this alliance. Should this prove true, the vaunted "European concert" would melt into thin air, and the great powers would be compelled to take sides for or against the preservation of the Turkish empire. But diplomacy, as practiced at St. Petersburg, Berlin and London, is a mysterious game. The commercial and financial interests, to say nothing of territorial ambitions, involved in the final settlement of the eastern question are so stupendous that 24 hours may change the position of four of the great powers. That Russia and Great Britain will be opponents in the final struggle is the only certainty. On which side Germany, France, Italy and Austria will be found depends on the bargains they may be able to make.

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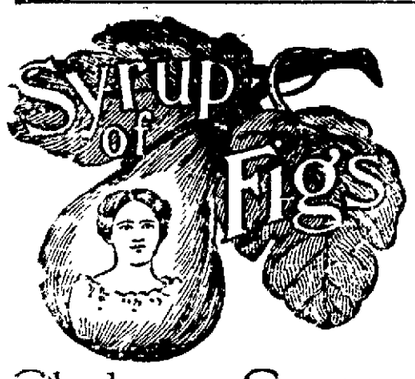

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OVER THE SHAWANGUNKS

WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS IN SULLIVAN COUNTY ARE DOING.

All the News from All Parts of the County—Many Matters of Interest Condensed from Our Sullivan Exchanges and Contributed by Wide Awake Correspondents.

—Howard Green, of Mongaup Valley, has been summarily removed from the position of Deputy State Excise Inspector. He is charged with irregular practices at Yonkers and elsewhere.

—The Spalding Base Ball Club, of Livingston Manor, has reorganized with Howard Fredenburgh as captain and Mason Sherwood manager. An outside pitcher will be secured and it is expected to put up a strong game.

—Grasshoppers have already made their appearance at Youngsville and Rockland.

—The citizens of Youngsville have voted to enlarge the school house to twice its present size. Two teachers will hereafter be employed.

—Ansel Kimball, sawyer at Ainslie's factory, at Rockland, while changing the feed on the saw carriage, Friday evening, caught his left hand in the feed belt and was thrown over the shaft by the side of the saw, breaking his left arm near the wrist and bruising him severely about the head.

—Assemblyman McLaughlin writes the *Review* that it is not proposed to take the Beaverkill fish hatchery away from Rockland. It is, however, necessary for the continuance of the hatchery to move it from its present location.

—The Rockland town board has appointed W. H. Beams, of Roscoe, and Jos. H. Purvis, of Livingston Manor, constables in place of C. R. Smith and W. S. Bush, who failed to qualify. Dr. R. A. DeKay was appointed health officer.

—J. D. Murdock has bought all the stock of the Grange building at Livingston Manor and will probably convert the second floor into dwelling rooms.

—A lantern swung across the track brought the O. and W.'s night express to a stop at Rockland, Saturday night. Seventeen minutes were lost in trying to find out why the train was stopped. It is not known who swung the lantern.

—C. C. Darbee, C. B. N. Hull and W. H. McGrath, the committee appointed for the purpose, destroyed, Wednesday, all useless documents in the Rockland town clerk's office.

HAVEN.

Good Prospects for Canal Business—A Wager on the Prize Fight—Injured by a Barbed Wire Fence—An Auction Sale.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

—Superintendent Rose informed us that the intentions of the canal company are to have the canal in readiness for boating by April 5th. There was quite a number of extra men taken on Monday of this week to help get the canal in good shape by the time specified. We learn that there will be fifty new boats put on this season, and thirty of the nearest cleared boats laid off. That will make twenty more to carry coal than last season.

—"The Eagle-Eyed Watchman" from Port Orange was visiting friends in this place last Sunday.

—There was not much money lost around here on the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight. We heard that one of our neighbors bet a good horse against $110 with a Port Jervis man on Corbett, but we can't vouch for the truth of it of course. We hope it's not so, as it is a pity to lose a good horse on a prize fight.

—James Moley's young cow gave birth to twin heifer calves this week.

—Fred Jansen is not going to be behind in blooded stock, having purchased a fine young Jersey cow and calf of Miss Kate Munn, of Mount Prospect.

—Mrs. A. Craven is to move into James Moley's house.

—M. C. Coney is about to move to Wurtsboro, in the Harding House, on the canal.

—A horse driven by A. Grimes on the towpath a few days ago took fright and jumped down the embankment. The horse became entangled in a barbed wire fence and was quite badly cut. Mr. Grimes escaped injury. Barbed wire fences should be prohibited by law.

—The auction of Scales Bros. was well attended, and the articles offered brought good prices. Potatoes sold for thirty cents a bushel.

Doctors Prescribe It.

"JERSEY CITY, N. J., March 2.—My physician recommended Allen's Foot Ease, the powder for aching, sweating feet, corns and bunions. I shake it into my shoes, and am delighted with it. D. D. Clark." At all druggists and shoe stores, 25 cents. Sample free. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N. Y.

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FOUND IT IN THE BIBLE.

John McNulty Submits a Satisfactory Excuse for His Intoxication.

From the New York Times.

When John McNulty was arraigned in Jefferson Market Court, Wednesday, for having been found drunk in the hallway of 113 Christopher street the previous night Magistrate Crane asked him what he had to say for himself.

"I but obeyed the teachings of the Bible," he pleaded.

"I don't think you did," replied the Court. "The policeman says you were drunk."

Taking the Bible used for administering oaths to witnesses, McNulty turned the pages rapidly and read from Proverbs xxxi. 6-7: "Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto those that be heavy of heart. Let him drink and forget his poverty and remember his misery no more."

"Discharged!" was the brief comment of the Court.

A RAT UP A TREE.

Chased There by a Cat—Shaken to Earth and Killed by a Yellow Dog.

A crowd of excited men, women, boys and girls watched for some time last night on Cortland street te see a cat catch a rat which it had chased up a tree. The rat had gone out to the tip of a slender branch where the cat could not reach it, and after several ineffectual attempts and several falls, the feline became disgusted and walked away.

Some one shook the tree, the rat fell to the ground and contrary to all previous experience and ideas, a woman attempted to stamp it to death, but couldn't move her feet quick enough.

Some one brought the cat back, but a prominent lawyer who had watched the proceedings, stepped in and declared that the cat was not entitled to the rat after deserting the tree as she did and called in a yellow dog which soon dispatched the rodent.

WOODBOURNE.

Personal and Local Notes.

Correspondence ARGUS AND MERCURY.

—Mrs. Ferris Angerine, of Highland, is visiting her parents in this place.

—Mrs. Amasa Garritt and son Harry have gone to Connecticut to visit her brother, Benj. Houghtaling.

—Isaac Foster, of this place, has a pacer of which he is very proud. He does not have to take any man's dust or mud.

—Reuben Hardenburgh will work for Henry Martin, this summer.

—Joe Florn will move in Jake Eidle's house.

—Peter Now, who has been quite sick, is improving.

A CITIZEN'S VIEWS.

Some Opinions and Suggestions from a Well-Known Resident.

If the reader doubts this and wishes to investigate, he hasn't to go to some other state in the union to prove it. It's not a long yarn published in Middletown, N. Y., about a resident of Middletown, Conn., or Kalamazoo, Mich. It's about a citizen of Middletown, N. Y., who lives at 125 Fulton street. There is lots of testimony in Middletown papers about remedies, but keep this fact constantly in view, there is only one remedy endorsed by scores of Middletown citizens. That remedy is the one endorsed by Emmit Barton, of the firm of Harford & Barton. Read his statement, he says:

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HIS PETITION GRANTED.

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London, March 26.—At the end of the hearing of the petition of United States Ambassador Bayard on behalf of the president and citizens of the United States, asking for the custody of the manuscript deposited in the library of Fulham palace, containing the records of the early history of the Pilgrim fathers and their voyage to America in the Mayflower, the chancellor of the district of London ordered the delivery to their representatives of the United States, upon the condition that persons desiring certificates therefrom may have them at a reasonable cost, and also that certified copies of the manuscript shall be deposited in the library of the Bishop of London, from which the originals are are taken.

To Allow Pool Selling at Trotting Meetings

Albany, March 26.—The assembly codes committee will this afternoon favorably report the bill to permit the selling of pools at trotting meetings. The town fair amendment has been incorporated in the bill.

Raines Liquor Law Hearing.

Albany, March 26.—The Raines law amendments will have a hearing before the senate taxation committee next week. Senator Higgins, the chairman of the committee, believes the committee may be able to act finally on the amendments next week.

Ice in the St. Lawrence Breaking Up.

Prescott, Ont., March 26.—The ice in the St. Lawrence here has broken up and is going down the stream rapidly. Navigation will soon be open.

Boston City Loan Awarded.

Boston, March 26.—The $1,000,000 city of Boston temporary loan in anticipation of taxes has been awarded to F. S. Moseley & Co. at 3.07 per cent. interest and $5.60 premium.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

—The princess of Wales has now held her title just over 33 years—a period which has been exceeded by only one of her predecessors, Augusta, the daughter-in-law of George II., who was for over 35 years princess of Wales.

—Joseph Briggs, of New Orleans, who has been totally blind for seven years, heard the movements of a burglar in his room and fired three shots in the direction whence the sounds seemed to come. Every shot took effect and the burglar was captured.

—The contradictory reports in the newspapers concerning the Cuban insurrection have sent one poor fellow to the insane asylum at Topeka. He believes that he is Maceo, and that the Spaniards have slain him four times every month for the past year.

—A well-known physician says that Stanley, the explorer, owes the fact that he has survived the most dangerous of his African trips to his having submitted five times to a transfusion of African blood into his veins, which is believed in Africa to be a great aid to acclimatization.

—Surplus.—An ordinary man can say everything that any occasion calls for with a vocabulary of 1,000 words. Of these he generally uses only 400 or 500, using the remainder when an idea out of the usual line of thought occurs to him. Most of us, being only ordinary men, seldom draw upon the surplus 500 words.

—A Curious Postponement.—They do things somewhat curiously in the courts of the Isle of Man. On the conclusion recently of a day's hearing in a right-of-way case, one of the jurors announced that he had purchased a ticket for America, and would not return for some months. The further hearing of the case was postponed until his return.

NEW YORK MARKETS.

Wheat—Steady, but still very dull. May, 78¾c.; July, 77¼c.; Sept., 74 c.

Corn—Market steady; fair trading. May, 30⅛c.; July, 31⅜c.

Oats—Spot trade dull; unchanged. May, 21⅜c.

Pork—Market steady; unchanged. Extra prime, nominal, short clear, $9.00@10.50; mess, $9.00@9.75; family, $9.65@10.50.

Lard—Market quiet; moderate trade. Prime, western, $4.47½.

Eggs—Market easy; steady supply. State and Pennsylvania, fresh, 10½c.; western, fresh, 10c.; southern 9⅝@10c.

Butter—Fancy firm, fairly active. Creamery, western extras, 19c., state and Pennsylvania extras, 17@18c.; creamery, western seconds, 16c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fresh factory, 16c.; state dairy, half-firkin tubs, fall made, extras, 11@12½c.; western, imitation creamery, seconds to firsts, 10@16c.; western factory, firsts to extras, 10@12c.

Cheese—Firm; moderate demand. Cream, large size, fall made, colored, 12½c.; large, common to choice, part skims, 5@8c.

Potatoes—Trade firm; fair supply. Long Island, in bulk, per barrel, $1.00@$1.25; New Jersey, round, choice, per barrel, 86c.@$1.00. Sweet potatoes, $1.00@$1.75.

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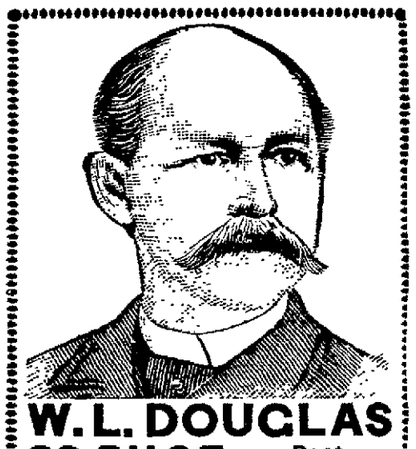

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Nos		James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
* 12	Chicago Ex. T	4.30 a.m.	
* 10	New York Special	6.01 "	
96	Middletown Way	6.30 "	....6.32 a.m
16	Orange Co Ex., G. M.	7.10 "	....7.12 "
28	Mountain Ex., T	8.28 "	... 8.25 "
38	Del. Val. Ex. (M. P. G.)	10.48 "	
* 6	W. Mail, (G. 'exc'pt Sa)	12.58 p.m.	....1.00 p.m
30	Way, T. M. P. G.	4.11 "	...4.19
* 2	C. & G. T. Ex.	5.07 "	
* 8	C. & St. L. Limited,	6.12 "	
22	P. J. Local T.	7.27 "	
* 14	Wells Fargo Express	10.40 "	
*605	P. J. Local (Sun only) M. P. and G. T.	8.23 a.m.	
620	P. J. Local (Su only)	5.19 p.m.	
18	Milk (Sunday only)	7.00 p.m.	

GOING WEST

Nos.		James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
* 17	Milk	7.00 a.m.	
* 21	Port Jervis Way	10.36 "	....10.32 a.m
1	Day Express	F10 56 "	
9	Del. Val. Express	11.25 "	
11	Port Jervis Local	1.04 p.m.	.... 1.01 p.m
33	Port Jervis Exp.	3.40 "	.... 3.37 "
† 5	C. & St. L. Exp.	4.07 "	
27	Mountain Exp.	5.42 "	.... 5.38 "
15	Orange Co. Exp.	6.50 "	.... 6.45 "
25	Middletown Way ar.	8.05 "	.... 4.02 "
* 7	C. & G. T. Exp.	9.34 "	
29	Way	9.13 "	
* 3	Chicago Exp.	11.12 "	
601	Sunday Local	10 35 a.m.	
625	P. J. Way (Sun only)	3.08 p.m	
617	" " "	10 29 "	

Passenger trains for Middletown leave foot of Chamber street, New York, at *4.00, 7.45, 9.15, 10.30 a.m.; 1.00, 3.30, 4.30, 5.30, 6.30, *7.30, *8.45 p.m. Also additional Sunday trains at 7.45, 9.00 a.m. 12.30 and 7.30 p.m.

Crawford Branch.

GOING NORTH.

No	Leave for	James St. Sta.	Main St. Sta
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Sundays only		11.05 a.m.	11.10 a.m

COMING SOUTH

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N. Y., S. & W. R. R.

In effect Sept. 21, 1896.

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Dated December 10th, 1896.

ANTOINETTE A. WOODRUFF, administratrix. RICHARD A. WOODRUFF, administrator. JOHN C. R. TAYLOR, attorney for administrators, Rooms 5 and 6 Low Building, Middletown, N. Y. dThur,toJun17

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OFFICIAL CITY PAPER.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 26.—Fair to-night and Saturday; northerly winds; freezing temperature to-night.

THE TEMPERATURE.

The following was the registry of the thermometer at Pronk's drug store, to-day:
7 a. m., **32°**; 12 m., **39°**; 3 p. m., **41°**.

AMUSEMENT AND RECREATION.

—March 25—"Coon Hollow" at the Casino
—March 28—Concert by Mr. Fred A. Heath, at First Baptist Church.
—April 22—Ball of Surprise Hook and Ladder Co., at Assembly Rooms.
—April 28—Bachelor Club hop.

FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 1897.

The Greater New York charter passed the Senate, yesterday, by a vote of 39 to 9. Eight Democrats and one Republican, Mullin, voted against the bill. The patronage of the big city is imperial in its extent and the fight for its control will be one of the fiercest ever waged in the history of politics in this State.

Senator Platt is almost a daily caller at the White House and his visits all relate to the distribution of patronage, but thus far he has not secured a single appointment. All the plums thus far given out have fallen to the lot of "original McKinley men." After they have been cared for the President may consent to listen to those who like Mr. Platt said unkind things about him and his candidacy.

A population of 3,100,000 is claimed for Greater New York. London which had in 1891 4,231,431 inhabitants alone exceeding it in size. Paris is third with 2,447,957 and Berlin fourth with 1,677,351. Then come Canton, Vienna, Tokio and Philadelphia, which had a population of 1,142,653 in 1892. Chicago which when the last census was taken, 1890, had 1,099,850, has grown rapidly since then and measured by the vote that it polled last fall is doubtless entitled to the fifth or sixth place among the world's greatest cities.

President E. B. Thomas, of the Erie, in discussing the decision of the Supreme Court which holds that the Sherman Anti-Trust law makes railroad pools and rate associations illegal, was the first to carry it to its legitimate, logical and inevitable conclusion, and suggest that the same construction and interpretation of the law will make it apply to industrial agreements and labor organizations. It seems like a long jump from a railroad pool to a railroad strike, but a moment's thought will satisfy any one that a strike which ties up a railroad is much more an act in restraint of trade than an agreement to maintain rates, and it is not strange, therefore, that Mr. Thomas' idea has been taken up and elaborated by many railroad men and lawyers who have discussed the decision and its possible consequences.

IN THE RAILROAD WORLD.

—So many Port Jervis boys are in the habit of jumping on trains and riding to this city or Lackawaxen that the police of that village have been ordered to arrest them.

—On Tuesday a train of twenty-five cars loaded with iron made the run from Susquehanna to Port Jervis, 101 miles, in three hours and forty minutes.

A CONUNDRUM SOCIABLE

At St. Paul's Church—An Entertainment and a Good Time.

A conundrum sociable was given at St. Paul's church last evening under the auspices of the Ladies Aid Society. A pleasing entertainment was given, after which refreshments were served. The entertainment consisted of the following:

Piano solo, Andrew Baird, vocal solo, Miss Millard, of Oxford, vocal duet, Mrs. May and Miss Millard, song by a quartette composed of Misses Armstrong and Bouton and Messrs. Skinner and Brice, solo, W. L. Brice.

The committee in charge of the affair was, Mrs. I. B. A. Taylor, Mrs. W. L. Brice, Mrs. Wm. Kellogg and Mrs. Lines.

Before the Recorder.

Two drunks were before the Recorder this morning. One of them, an old offender, was fined $5, which he promised to pay out of his next pension money due May 10. The other, a colored man, was discharged it being his first offense.

LATEST BY TELEGRAPH

WORK OF THE LEGISLATURE.

Bills of Local Interest Favorably Reported in the Assembly.

BY UNITED PRESS.

ALBANY, March 26.—The following bills were reported favorably in the Assembly, this morning:

Mr. Van Keuren's, authorizing Kingston to issue $150,000 of bonds to complete its water works system.

Mr. Bedell's, appropriating $5,000 for building a dyke or ditches for the protection of property adjacent to the Neversink river in the town of Deerpark.

TO LEAVE THE L. A. W.

Minneapolis Wheelmen Resolve to Organize a New and Independent League.

BY UNITED PRESS

MINNEAPOLIS March 26.—The wheelmen of Minneapolis have decided to form a new league and to withdrew all allegiance and support from the L. A. W. The new organization will be known as the United Wheelmen of America and will have divisions throughout the union.

A GREAT BIGAMIST.

Gordy, the Delaware Wife Murderer, Still Has Eight Wives Living.

BY UNITED PRESS.

GEORGETOWN, March 26.—The Attorney General has received a communication which convinces him that Gordy, accused of the murder of his wife, is a great bigamist, having contracted marriages in various sections of the country, and having at least eight wives living. He is wanted in New Haven for alleged nefarious operations.

A PRIZE FIGHTING POSTMASTER

Reasons for Removing from Office a West Virginia P. M.

BY UNITED PRESS.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—The President will remove Poe, postmaster at Grafton, West Virginia. It is alleged that just before the November election Poe fought a prize fight, knocked his opponent out in the eighth round, pocketed the proceeds of the bout and printed an account of the fight in his paper.

THAT EGG PROBLEM.

How to Sell Ten Eggs, Thirty Eggs and Fifty Eggs at the Same Price and Realize the same Amount.

A few days ago the ARGUS published this problem:

A farmer having eggs to sell gave one of his sons ten, another thirty and another fifty, and told them to sell at the same price per dezen, and to each bring back the same amount of money.

A few correct answers have been received, but most of those who tried the problem declared that it could not be done.

Here is the solution: The boy with ten eggs sold seven for a cent and the remaining three for three cents each, thus realizing ten cents. The boy with thirty eggs sold twenty-eight at the rate of seven for a cent, thus realizing four cents, and the two eggs remaining he sold at three cents each, making his total receipts ten cents. The boy with fifty eggs got seven cents by selling forty-nine of his eggs at the rate of seven for a cent, and three cents for his remaining egg, so that he, too, had ten cents as a result of his sales.

This may not be a profitable way of selling eggs, but its the way those boys did.

THE ORANGE COUNTY FAIR.

Middletown May Have It Altogether—Directors of the Agricultural Society in Town To-day.

Messrs. D. A. Morrison, Leander Clark and B. C. Sears, of the Orange County Agricultural Society, were in town, to-day, in conference with C. L. Elwood, E. A. Brown and others of the citizens' committee on the Orange county fair.

One of the results of their visit may be that Middletown will become the permanent location of the fair.

When it was decided last fall to hold the fair alternate years in Middletown and Newburgh, the officers of the society supposed they could have a lease of the Ransdell property in Newburgh, but they have since learned that they can only have it certainly for one year.

With the local committee the visitors drove to the Campbell track and looked over the buildings and grounds and will report the result of their visit to a meeting of the society next Friday, when some decisive action will probably be taken.

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A CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY

Thought He Saw His Long Lost Dog Pointing Quail at the Sportmen's Show.

E. M. Decker, of this city, lost a handsome bird dog some time ago and always believed it had been stolen. He visited the Sportmen's Exposition in Madison Square Garden, last week, and says he almost fainted away when he saw his dog mounted and in a case in the act of pointing quail. Jacob Gunther's card was attached to the case and Mr. Decker waited until the arrival of the case at Mr. Gunther's when he took another look at the stuffed animal and was more than ever convinced that it was his dog's skin that stood before him and said so.

This dog formerly belonged to Barnes, the barber, and was poisoned about two years ago, but it will be difficult to make Mr. Decker believe it, for he says the dog is exactly like his own in color and markings.

"To Goshen am a Hard Road to Trabble,"

From the Warwick Advertiser.

The lady teachers in Warwick Institute may not state it in just that way, but they know all about it. Six of them chartered Sliker's wagonette on Monday afternoon to have a little lark, a pleasant outing—to take in Carleton night at Goshen. They were soon serenely sailing the seas of mud, and felt safe even in a very dark night. The wit of the party gave expression to their feeling of resignation in one brief expletive: "There's one thing about it, girls, we're perfectly safe, and will meet no rigs, for even the fool-killer will not be out such a night as this." They found the road very long and fearfully muddy, starting away at 4.30 p. m., and were back again at 4:30 a. m.

Testing the Hauling Power of Erie Engines.

One of the largest trains that has ever been pulled over the New York Division of the Erie by one engine, left Port Jervis, at noon yesterday. The train consisted of sixty cars, loaded with hay, and a caboose and was hauled by engine 868. It was in charge of Conductor Dorr. The run was made as an experiment to ascertain just how many cars the engines are able to pull in one train.

Swan in Monhagen Lake.

Five swans were seen swimming in Monhagen Lake, this morning. Two gentlemen living in the neighborhood went gunning for them and when their presence at the lake was known in this city several others started out with guns in the hope of getting a shot at the big birds.

Removal of the East Side Mission.

The East Side Mission, established by the First Presbyterian Church, is being removed to No. 205 East Main street. The Sunday services will be held in the new rooms.

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11—AN ECLIPSE OF VIRTUE. By Champion Bissell.
12—AN UNSPEAKABLE SIREN. By John Gillint.
13—THAT DREADFUL WOMAN. By Harold R. Vynne.
14—A DEAL IN DENVER. By Gilmer McKendree.
15—WHY? SAYS GLADYS. By David Christie Murray.
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17—A MARRIAGE FOR HATE. By Harold R. Vynne.
18—OUT OF THE SULPHUR. By T. C. DeLoon.
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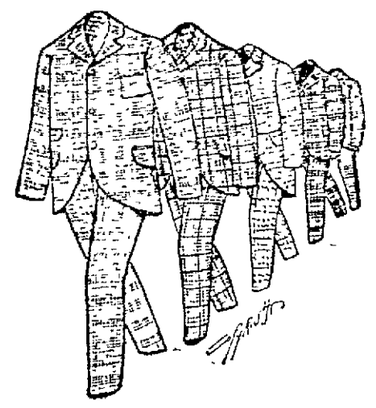

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—Special Saturday sale at Geo. B. Adams & Co.'s.

LIVE LOCAL TOPICS.

—Basket ball at the Armory to-night.

—An electric light company is being formed in Hancock.

—Rev. Father Salley, of Port Jervis, will conduct the Lenten services at St. Joseph's Church, this evening.

—A committee appointed for the purpose has drafted a plan for the orgauization of the Walden fire department.

—Last night's freeze and to-day's winds have dried the mud up rapidly and many of the streets are in quite passable condition.

—The game of basket ball at the Armory to-night should attract a large crowd. An admission fee of ten cents will be charged.

—Correspondents of the Newburgh papers complain that the heavily loaded creamery wagons make the roads, in the vicinity of that city, almost impassable.

—A new compound engine, No. 360, just out of the shops, hauled Erie train 1, to-day. Road Foreman of Engineers Joseph Johnson, made the trip in the cab.

—Allen W. Corwin, executor of the late Henry R. Corwin, will sell at auction at Mr. Corwin's late residence, March 30, six well bred horses, four Jersey cows, farming implements, wagons, carriages and other property.

—A horse and wagon stolen, Sunday, from M. V. White, proprietor of the Eagle hotel barns in Norwich, were found in Binghamton, Wednesday. Frank Wiswell, in whose possession the property was found, was arrested.

—Subscribers to the fund of $77,000 raised in Frankfort to secure the West Shore shops are advised by lawyers that they have a cause of action against the Central railroad for removing the shops to West Albany.

PERSONAL.

—Miss Ida Green, of this city, is visiting Mrs. George Andrews, of Walden.

—Isaac Cole, of Middletown, is calling on his friends and relatives in Colesville, this week.—*Wantage Recorder.*

—Conductor C. Kniffin, of the Cornwall way freight, will move from this city to Livingston Manor, next week.

—Mrs. Fred Clark, of Middletown, and Mrs. Max F. Kramer, of Elmira, are visiting at Mr. Kuhfeldt's.—*Ellenville Press.*

—Mrs. Rilla Hawley, of Middletown, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Sprague, and other friends in Roscoe.—*Review.*

—Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Doran, of Middletown, are visiting Mrs. Doran's parents in town, this week.—*Livingston Manor Ensign.*

—Mrs. Joseph B. Penny and Rose Miller, of Middletown, have been spending a few days at J. E. Sherwood's.—*Ellenville Journal.*

—C. E. Scott, of the Highland Insurance Company, of Newburgh, was in town, to day, conferring with officials of our local insurance company.

—The Livingston Manor correspondent of the Roscoe *Review* says: William Halcott and family are visiting in Middletown. We understand Will expects to make Middletown his future home.

—Mrs. VanWyck, of Milford, widow of the late General VanWyck, who is suffering severely from an inflammation of one of her eyes, went to New York city, this morning, to consult a specialist on diseases of the eye.—*Gazette.*

—Mrs. A. J. Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ira S. Clausen, left town this morning, for Plattsburgh, N. Y., where she will in the future reside. Mr. Smith who was formerly manager for the Hudson River Telephone Company, in this city, holds a similar position with the same company in Plattsburgh.

A SORELY AFFLICTED FAMILY.

Rev. and Mrs. T. A. Leggett Lose Three Daughters by Scarlet Fever.

Rev. and Mrs. Theodore A. Leggett, of West New Brighton, S. I., have been most terribly bereaved this month, having lost three daughters by scarlet fever. Theodora Augusta, aged thirteen, died March 10th, Fannie Wade, aged twenty-three, died on the 21st and Adelaide Lisperuard, aged eight years and three months, succumbed to the fatal malady, Wednesday, 24th.

Mr. Leggett was at one time pastor of the Chester Presbyterian Church and is a son of the late Rev. John Leggett, for many years pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church, this city, and prior to that time pastor of the Hopewell Presbyterian Church in the town of Crawford.

A Point to Remember.

If you wish to purify your blood you should take a medicine which cures blood diseases. The record of cures by Hood's Sarsaparilla proves that this is the best medicine for the blood ever produced. Hood's Sarsaparilla cures the most stubborn cases and it is the medicine for you to take if your blood is pure.

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THE CITY BOUNDARY EXTENSION BILL.

Hearing Before the Assembly's Committee on Cities, Yesterday—Arguments Against and For the Measure—Facts and Figures Filed With the Committee.

The gentlemen who went to Albany, yesterday, to attend a hearing before the assembly's committee on cities in relation to the proposed extension of the boundaries of the city, were but one of thirty-seven parties who wanted a hearing. Through the courtesy of Hon. Lewis Bedell, they were given the first hearing and this was about 4 p. m.

W. B. Royce Esq., representing the towns of Wallkill and Wawayada, made the first argument. He made the point that under the old State constitution towns were permitted to issue bonds in aid of railroad construction only when the consent of a majority of taxable inhabitants, representing a majority of the taxable property had been obtained.

The town of Wawayanda never bonded for railroad purposes. Under the law as it stood, when Wallkill's bonds were issued, even the Legislature could not by special act authorize the issue of bonds for railroad purposes without the consent above mentioned had been obtained. Under the new constitution towns are prohibited even by consent of taxpayers to issue bonds for railroad purposes. Therefore, Wawayanda not having consented to issue railroad bonds under the old constitution, and under the new such issue being prohibited, the Legislature cannot put any portion of Middletown's $71,000 of bonded indebtedness for railroad purposes upon the property owners of Wawayanda.

Judge Beattie followed Mr. Royce in behalf of Wawayanda, and City Attorney J. L. Wiggins spoke in behalf of the bill.

While Mr. Royce was addressing the committee one of the members asked him whether the taxpayers residing in the parts of the towns of Wallkill and Wawayanda proposed to be included in the city limits whom he represented would be willing to come into the corporation if relieved of the present indebtedness of the city.

Mr. Royce answered that they would not be, because of the high rate of taxation with which they would be burdened for ordinary expenses incident to city government.

Mr. Royce filed with the committee a map showing the proposed extension and a memorandum showing the following figures:

ACREAGE.

Present acreage of Middletown, 2,330½; proposed increase, 1,541.947; total proposed acreage of city, 3,872.447; proposed extension in Wawayanda, 291.175; proposed extension in Wallkill, 1,250.197; estimated acreage of city not laid out, 800.

CITY'S BONDED DEBT.

Water bonds	$275,000
Sewer bonds	20,000
School bonds	48,000
Railroad bonds	71,000

Estimated additional expense of High school, $25,000.

TAX RATES.

Present tax rate in Wawayanda	$9 87
" " Wallkill	11 05
" " Middletown	38 75

The latter includes city, State and county taxes.

ASSESSED VALUATION.

Assessed valuation of Middletown $3,057,875, of which $2,874,750 is real estate.

Mr. Wiggins was asked by the committee if there was any objections to inserting a clause in the bill exempting that portion of Wawayanda to be annexed from paying any portion of the present indebtedness of the city, to which Mr. Wiggins replied: "Not the slightest, as the amount to be taken is so small that its share of the taxes would be insignificant."

Mr. Wiggins in answer to the statement of Mr. Royce relating to the city's indebtedness said it was misleading; that the city was not bankrupt but a thriving, prosperous municipality and that the greater part of its debt, $275,000, was water bonds and that the water works were self sustaining and had yielded the past year $15,000 above its fixed charges and the sinking fund; also that the bonds issued for water supply did not come within the bonding limit fixed by law. Also, that the statement made that property owners did not desire to come into the city was not true and read names of D. R. Miller, L. S. Wisner, J. W. Gardner, I. Smith Webb, Thomas Watts, Carl M. Maybee, Vananme, Watts & Vail and others who own a large portion of the territory embraced in proposed extension who desire the passage of the bill.

In answer to the argument of Judge Beattie that the description of the boundary in the bill was defective because it started at a knot hole in a fence and ended in a hole in the ground, said it was very evident that Mr. Beattie had seen that particular knot hole and visited that hole in the ground and knew how it affected his clients in Wawayanda.

In answer to Mr. Beattie's statement that this bill was only gotten up to defeat the action begun by Wawayanda against the city, Mr. Wiggins said that Mr. Beattie was too good a lawyer to advance such an argument as he knew the passage of the bill would not have that effect.

A member of the committee asked Judge Beattie if he wished to be understood as advancing such an argument and he admitted the bill would not have that effect.

Mr. Wiggins claimed that if the time ever came that it was advisable for the city to take action for the disposal of the sewage question, and it was necessary to erect works, they must be at that end of the city, and in order to do so the city should have jurisdiction over the brook, as such works must of necessity be located as far as possible from the center of population.

The committee declined to hear argument from the city officials and ex-officials present, but asked if all were favorable to the bill.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Margaret Beattie Maclise.

Mrs. Margaret Beattie Maclise, widow of the late Rev. David Maclise, a former pastor of Goodwill Church, Montgomery, died in Newburgh, March 23d, of paralysis, aged seventy-six years.

Mrs. Emily Rawlins Wait.

Mrs. Emily Rawlins Wait, wife of Dr. Wesley Wait, died at her home in Newburgh yesterday. She was a daughter of Gen. John A. Rawlins, of Gen. Grant's staff. She is survived by her husband and a daughter, and by a sister, Mrs. George H. Holman, Jr., and a brother, James B. Rawlins, both of Barnegat Park, N. J.

Kiel Volmer Barnekov.

Kiel Volmer Barnekov, for thirty-five years a well known musician of Newburgh, died there, Wednesday night, aged seventy-nine years. He was born in Sweden and was a son of Baron Barnekov and had many relatives among the nobility of Sweden. He was an accomplished musician, a capable teacher, a composer of merit, an artist of no mean ability and possessed much inventive skill. He was for many years organist of St. John's Church.

Jane VanInwegen Ketcham.

Mrs. Jane VanInwegen Ketcham, wife of Leonard Ketcham, died at her home in Oakland Valley, Wednesday, March 24, after a long illness, aged sixty years.

One brother and four sisters survive her: Charles VanInwegen, of Tri-States; Mrs. George Rumsey, of Port Jervis; Mrs. Silas H. Drake, Mrs. F. A. Quick and Miss Florence VanInwegen, of Cuddebackville.

Funeral at the house Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

OVERRUN WITH TRAMPS.

They Come to Port Jervis by the Carload—Kept a Brakeman Out in the Storm.

Port Jervis is literally overrun with tramps. Twenty-two of them arrived in one car of a freight train from the west, which came in early Wednesday morning, and at once began to scour the town for breakfast.

They were a most impudent crowd of vagabonds, for when a brakeman in order to escape a shower tried to enter the car in which they were riding, they refused to let him come in, saying there was not room, and he was compelled to stay out in the storm, his situation being made still more aggravating by the jeers of the hoboes.

Officers of "The Oracles."

"The Oracles" Debating Society of the Middletown Business College held a meeting as usual Thursday afternoon. The debate which had been arranged for was postponed until next week on account of the absence of one of the leaders. Mr. Torrey and Mr. Purdy rendered some excellent music, after which the society proceeded to elect officers for the next term. Mr. Parsells, of Ellenville, was elected president; Miss Sprague, of Roscoe, vice president, and Mr. Harding, of Montgomery, secretary.

O. and W.'s Increased Earnings.

The Ontario & Western reports for the third week of March, earnings of $65,290, an increase of $11,992 over the corresponding week, last year. The earnings from Jan. 1st to March 21st, were $685,316, an increase of $29,886 over the same period last year.

Two Circuses Coming.

Adam Forepaugh's and Sells Bros' combined circuses and menageries will show in this city on May 21st. They will come here from Newburgh with fifty cars.

Bob Hunting's always popular circus will be here on July 25th, coming from Callicoon.

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AT THE COUNTY SEAT.

INCIDENTS AND HAPPENINGS IN GOSHEN.

Sale of the Theodore Wilkin Farm—To Move to New Hampton—Gone With Sousa's Band—Social Club's Dance—Spring Changes—Ladies' Guild Meeting.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

—The Theodore Wilkin farm in Hamptonburgh was sold at partition sale in this village, yesterday. It was purchased by Fred Banker for $4,400.

—William J. Baillie, of the Commercial House, has decided to move into the hotel at New Hampton, which has been vacant for about a year, and operate it until he can find another suited to his ideas.

—Editor William B. Mead, of the *Democrat*, started, yesterday, for Buffalo on train 5, where he will meet and join Sousa's Band and accompany it on a concert tour of the western cities. During his absence Mrs. Mead will visit friends in Brooklyn and vicinity.

—The Young Men's Social Club is arranging for a dance to be given at Music Hall, Wednesday evening, April 21st.

—William McNeice has moved into his new house on Wickham avenue. Robert Penny will occupy the premises vacated by Mr. McNeice.

—Mrs. Russell Straight, of Bradford, is visiting at the home of her father, Col. Alfred Neafie.

—The Ladies' Guild of St. James' Church will meet, Wednesday next, at the home of Mrs. George Grier on South street.

—Another new engine for the L. and H. arrived in Goshen, this morning, from the Rogers engine works.

—The interior of Louis Miller's bakery is being refitted and improved.

—Mrs. Emily Rawlins, who died in Newburgh, yesterday, was a former resident of Goshen. Her funeral will be held from the residence of Miss Sarah J. Smith at 1:30 p. m., Monday. Interment at Phillipsburgh.

Funeral of Jonah Cromwell.

The funeral of the late Jonah Cromwell took place at Chester, this afternoon. Phœnix Engine Co. of which the deceased was an honorary member sent a beautiful pillow and was represented at the funeral by the following delegation who acted as pall bearers: E. A. Lorentz, J. D. Carpenter, Charles Wood, Clem. Atkins, Henry Eilenberger, H. L. Brien.

Mr. Lorentz took with him to Chester a broken column ordered by relatives of the deceased.

The Z. K. Club Entertained by Mrs. Gunther.

Mrs. Jacob Gunther entertained the Z K. Club, yesterday afternoon, from 3 to 7 o'clock, at her home on Broad street. Elegant refreshments were served. The members of the club now wear handsomely engraved sterling silver pin badges with the initials Z. K. C. They were worn yesterday for the first time. They were purchased through Frank D. Kernochan.

Concert at First Baptist Church.

The date of the concert by Fred A. Heath for the benefit of the organ fund of the First Baptist Church is Monday evening, March 29. Mrs. M. L. Rice reader, will assist. A Mehlin grand piano will be used. Tickets 25 cents.

Couldn't Estimate Its Value.

Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart never fails. It relieves in 30 minutes, it cures. It is a beacon light to lead you back to health. W. H. Musselman, of G. A. R., Watsontown, Pa., says: "Two bottles of Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart entirely cured me of palpitation and smothering spells. Its value cannot be estimated. I feel like a new man." Sold by J. T. King and McMonagle & Rogers.

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Boys and girls fast black hose 6 to 9 in. at 10c pair; ladies fast black 12½c hose, three pairs for 25c; one lot men's seamless 10c half hose, four pairs for 25c.

Saturday and Monday all day—Ten yards Lonsdale (bleached) muslin for 56c; ten yards summer flannel for 59c; ten yards cotton domet for 36c; ten dozen ladies good cambric wrappers for 49c each; ladies black sateen skirts at 43c each.

Only Four Days Left of Our March Carpet Sale.

Crowd in and take advantage of our special Carpet and Wall Paper prices. Wall Paper—We are not only selling wall paper at 4c double roll, with border, but we are selling our 30c, 40c and 50c high grade, gilt and embossed paper at 15c double roll. Border to match.

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THE CAUSE OF COLDS.

Bacteriology Now Divulges the Source of the Affection.

Doctors Determine That Microbes Make the Mischief by Disturbing the Circulation of the Blood.

Bacteriology has at last divulged the cause of the greatest of all medical mysteries—the ordinary cold. It has been attributed to all causes—air, moisture, too much cold air, overheating and, recently, to the stomach and overeating. The laboratory where the microbes are caught, cultivated and tamed like little beasts for several years has been trying to identify the germs of "colds," as colds seemed to lead to many diseases that have well-known germs. The first discovery was that in colds there are several varieties of that produce the same results.

Germs look altogether different under the microscope and in the culture tubes, where the microbes are bred, after they have been identified and separated from others by being snared (from the common feeding ground of all sorts of bacteria) with a platinum needle. Then to make certain that the real microbe in a given disease is found the germs must be injected into a rabbit or guinea pig (or some dispensary patient) to see if the same disease will appear. Microbes which cause colds are always in the body or in the air.

There are 20 different forms of bacteria constantly present in the nose, including nine or ten which are dangerous under certain circumstances. There are 90 forms of germs in the mouth, 40 of which may cause serious disease.

Everyone knows that colds are usually caught by getting oneself overheated and cooling off suddenly. When the surface of the body is overheated all the microbes in the air seem to be attracted to the body, especially if the air around is chilly or damp; microbes cannot be killed by cold or damp, but they do not like it and are always on the watch to find a resting place in a man, especially in one who is overheated and whose skin is covered with perspiration. If the nose is always in a condition of "catarrh" it is easy to see how a fresh cold or acute attack of catarrh is caused by exposure to a chill. But how about the various symptoms in other and distant parts of the body which generally follow a cold?

When the body is overheated and then chilled the immediate effect of the cold on the surface of the body is to excite contraction of the blood vessels near the surface. Thus the blood is driven from the surface to the inner organs, carrying along with it any microbes that may have been lodged near the surface. This excites inflammation in some organ far away from the first point affected. The way it seems to act is as follows:

All processes going on in the body are governed by the central nervous system. If, as a result of exposure to cold, the regular routine of nutrition and of circulation is checked in one part of the body, the nervous force sent out from the central nervous system if shut off in one place will be increased in another. Such increase is really inflammation. If any organ is liable to chronic inflammation this will be the place picked out for the acute trouble as a result of having caught cold. All the unemployed microbes will collect there and unemployed microbes in a slightly inflamed organ are certain to make trouble. There is, however, one safeguard which saves the body from destruction every time a cold is caught.

There is in the body a set of valuable street-sweepers who do in the blood vessels and tissues exactly the work of the street-cleaning department. These are the white blood corpuscles, or leucocytes. They differ from Col. Waring's white brigade in that they eat up the debris, the microbes and such things wherever they find them. The more germs and bacteria collected together in one organ the more the white corpuscles swarm in just like the regular street-sweepers in the dirty downtown districts.

If these white blood corpuscles are caught while at their work their round bodies may be found filled up with the bacteria they have eaten. In case of sudden emergencies (like pneumonia) an immense swarm of white corpuscles will suddenly appear.

There are all sorts of ways of treating an inflammation in an organ. Many are as familiar to the public as to the doctors. The old-fashioned porous or mustard plaster is simply a means to collect quickly a larger number of white blood cells in the places where they are needed. The same is true of all hot applications, blisters, painting with iodine or red flannel rags.

The new idea of a cold, then, is that it is a nervous disease, which, to do any serious harm, has to work through the microbes, which are always present in the body or in the outer passages waiting for a chance to make trouble. The best way to prevent colds is to keep all parts of the body properly clad and free from any undue exposure, for it is the disturbance of the balance of circulation and the nervous control of the blood vessels that really causes the trouble.

If the feet and the nose and the mouth are kept in good condition the chances are against the microbes doing much damage, for it is the chilling of these parts that causes most of the colds.—N. Y. Press.

The Main Point.

Mabel—Yes, the conceited and presumptuous thing, I told him I had never been kissed by a man, and he promptly kissed me and said: "You can never make such a statement again."

Clara—The idea! He actually kissed you?

Mabel—Yes; but, think, he tried to convey the idea that he was a man.—Philadelphia North American.

Children are told that angels bring little babies straight from heaven. They are told that when the little one comes, the rustle of angels' wings may be heard. Angels probably do watch over the mother and child—or if they do not, they ought to; but angels cannot change the course of Nature, and it is not right that they should. The woman who wants to have a healthy baby, and who wants to come safely through the ordeal herself, with no life-long weakness as a consequence, will do what she can to make herself strong and healthful in every way. Above all things, she will—during the period of gestation—take regularly Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This is a positive specific for all female weakness and disease. It may be depended upon to purify and strengthen the organs distinctively feminine, to soothe all inflammation, and to stop pain and debilitating drains. It cures where doctors have failed, and it cures right at home, without necessitating abhorrent examinations and local treatment. It is the only medicine in the world that makes the coming of baby easy and perfectly safe. It is the only medicine designed for its purpose, that is the invention of a regularly graduated physician, an experienced and skilled specialist in the treatment of the diseases of women. Druggists sell it, and any woman who wants to know all about it—just how to use it in her particular case, may write to Dr. R. V. Pierce, chief consulting physician of the Invalids' Hotel and Surgical Institute, Buffalo, N. Y.

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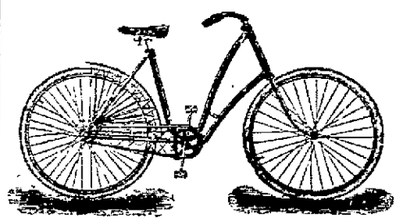

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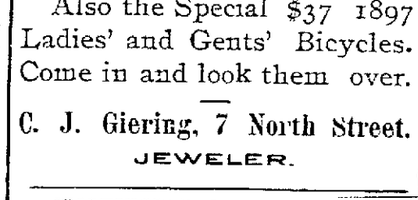

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An open fireplace in a dining-room is always desirable, and a sunny window with blossoming plants and running vines adds much to its cheerfulness. The finishing should be of hard wood, oiled; the floor of the same material, with a large rug in the center. The dining-table should also be of hard wood, solid and substantial. The walls and ceiling should be painted or tinted in some soft, light shade, and pictures—not the agonizing spectacle of dead birds, animals or fishes, that are likely to shock the sensibilities of many people, but a few choice etchings and sunny landscapes—a mantel, with a clock and a few pieces of bric-a-brac, are all pleasant accessions. But if there is one piece of extravagance that may be pardoned a housewifely soul, it is the gathering together of a store of fine table linen and rare, quaint pieces of china, glass and silver with which to decorate her table. And it is poor policy to relegate those cherished belongings to the china closet, to be brought forth only on state occasions, for there is no more efficient promoter of refinement or well-bred social intercourse in the family than an attractive, well-appointed dining-table.

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Lunch Bread.

Six eggs, four tablespoonfuls sugar, two tablespoonfuls butter, two cupfuls of flour, one teaspoonful of baking powder, three tablespoonfuls of rich milk. Beat the whites and yolks of the eggs separately, cream the butter and sugar and blend with the yolks. Over this mixture sift the flour and baking powder, without stirring add the milk and whites of eggs. Now that all the materials are in the mixing bowl, blend lightly and bake in a sheet in a quick oven.—St. Louis Republic.

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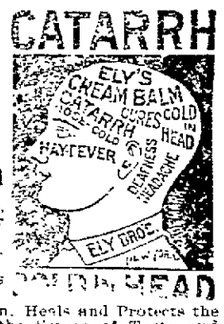

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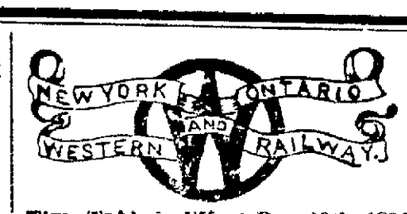

Time Table in Effect Dec. 20th, 1896.

NORTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	Mixed	Daily Exp	Sullivan Co. Exp	Chicago Limited
	11 *	1	7	5 *
N. Y. Leave	A M	M	P M	P M
Franklin St	3 20	7 40	3 00	4 15
W. 42d St.,	3 35	7 55	3 15	4 30
Weehawken	4 00	8 10	3 30	4 40
Cornwall	6 10	9 45	5 00	6 01
W Cornwall	6 22	9 53	5 08	
Orr's Mills	6 25	9 55	5 10	
Little Brit'n	6 40	10 05	5 23	
Burnside	6 56	10 18	5 34	
Campb'll H	7 07	10 22	5 40	6 50
Stony Ford	7 15	10 27	5 44	
M'town Main St.	7 38	10 43	5 58	
M'town ar	7 40	10 45	6 00	5 46
M'town lv	8 45	11 55	6 10	6 56
Winterton	9 10	11 09	6 25	
Bloom'gb'gh	9 21	11 15	6 30	
Wurtsboro	9 26	11 19	6 34	
Summitville	9 38	11 30	6 45	
Ellenv'le ar	10 05	11 50	7 05	
Fallsburgh	10 32	12 05	7 29	
Hurleyville	10 53	12 12	7 27	
Liberty Falls	11 15	12 22	7 38	
Liberty	11 30	12 29	7 44	8 07
Parksville	11 45	12 40	7 55	
L'v'gst'n M'r	12 00	12 53	8 05	6 30
Rockland	12 15	1 08	8 20	13
Hancock Jct.	1 20	2 00	9	9 19
Walton	2 15	2 45	12 15	9 53
Sidny Cent'r	3 18		2 10	8 28
Sidney	3 40	41	3 10	10 35
N'rwich ar	4 32	A M	5 30	11 18
N'rwich lv	4 38	7 30	P M	11 33
Oneid'Castl'	6 08	9 10		1235
Oneida ar	6 10	9 15		12 40
Oneida lv	6 15			
Fulton	7 57			02 00
Oswego ar	8 20			2 20
	P M	P M	A M	M

SOUTH BOUND.

STATIONS.	6 * New Y'rk Exp	12 *	14 Delhi Ex	50 Local	2 Day Exp
Oswego lv	P M 12 25	P M	P M	A M 6 45	
Oneida ar				8 46	
Oneida lv	2 11		12 20	8 50	
Oneid'Castl'			P M 12 35	8 53	
Norwich ar	3 24	7 36	5 30	10 37	
Norwich lv	3 29	7 41	P M	10 42	
Sidney	4 29	8 45		11 49	
Sidny Cent'r		9 03		11 57	
Walton	5 05	12 15	9 38	1257	
Hancock Jct	5 38	1 30	8	1 20	
Rockland		2 38	6 00	2 10	
L'v'gst'n M'r	6 27	3 00	6 14	2 25	
Parksville		3 16	6 25	2 37	
Liberty	6 48	3 25	6 36	2 51	
Liberty Falls		3 41	6 41	02 56	
Hurleyville		4 01	6 50	3 06	
Fallsburgh	n7 06	4 19	6 57	3 14	
Centreville		4 40	7 04	03 20	
Mount'n D.		4 50	7 10	03 25	
Summitville		5 15	7 25	3 45	
Wurtsboro		5 25	7 33	03 52	
Bloom'gbgh		5 32	7 38	3 57	
Winterton		5 40	7 43	n1 02	
M'town ar	8 00	6 05	8 00	4 21	
M'town lv	8 10	6 25	8 10	04 30	
M'town Main St.		6 27	8 12	4 32	
Stony Ford		7 02	8 25	04 46	
Campb'll H.		7 07	8 31	4 52	
Burnside		7 25	8 35	05 07	
Little Brit'n		7 50	08 45	05 08	
Orr's Mills		8 15	8 53	05 19	
W Cornwall		8 20	8 58	05 21	
Cornwall	8 53	8 30	9 05	5 33	
Weehawken	10 01	10 19	30	7 00	
New York W. 42d St., N. Y.	10 30	11 15	10 40	7 10	
Fkln St	ar 10 45	11 30	10 55	7 25	
	P M	P M	A M	P M	

* Runs daily, all other trains daily except Sunday.

‡ Signifies that trains will stop on signal for passengers

n Signifies that trains will stop for or to leave New York passengers only.

¶ Stop for meals.

Trains leave Hancock Junction 2 05 p. m., for Scranton, Carbondale and intermediate stations.

Trains leave Scranton 10 55 a. m., for Hancock Junction.

Trains leave Summitville for Ellenville 9 40 and 11 20, a. m., 3 50 and 6 45 p. m.

Trains leave Ellenville for Summitville 7 00, and 10 50 a. m., 3 10 and 5 05 p. m.

Trains leave Delhi for Walton 9 20 and 11 00 a. m., *3 00 p. m.

Trains leave Walton for Delhi 7 00 a. m., 2 45 and 9 50 p. m. Sunday only 9 05 a. m.

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J. C. Anderson, General Passenger Agent.

N. Y., S. & W. R. R.

In effect Sept. 21st 1896.

	Daily a m	Daily ex Sun p m	
NORTH.			
New York	8 30		4 10
Jersey City	8 45		4 25
Hackensack	9 14		4 50
Paterson (Broadway)	9 26		5 02
Paterson	9 39		5 04
Two Bridges	10 55	3 00	6 32
Ogdensburg	11 07	3 16	6 42
Franklin	11 12	3 26	6 47
Hamburg	11 20	3 36	6 55
Deckertown	11 28	3 52	7 03
Quarryville	11 36	4 02	7 10
Unionville	11 44	4 15	7 18
Westtown	11 49	4 25	7 24
Johnson	11 55	4 32	7 29
Slate Hill	12 00	4 57	7 34
Middletown	12 12	5 10	7 45
SOUTH.			
	Daily ex Sun a m	Sun a m	Daily p m
Middletown	6 30	7 12	4 45
Slate Hill	6 42	7 27	4 57
Johnson	6 48	7 35	5 03
Westtown	6 53	7 43	5 09
Unionville	b 59	7 55	5 16
Quarryville	7 06	8 07	5 25
Deckertown	7 14	8 30	5 33
Hamburg	7 22	8 46	5 42
Franklin Junction	7 27	8 53	
Franklin	7 29	8 56	5 49
Ogdensburg	7 34	9 06	5 54
Two Bridges	7 51	9 32	6 10
Paterson	8 03		7 00
Paterson (Broadway)	9 45	10 38	7 33
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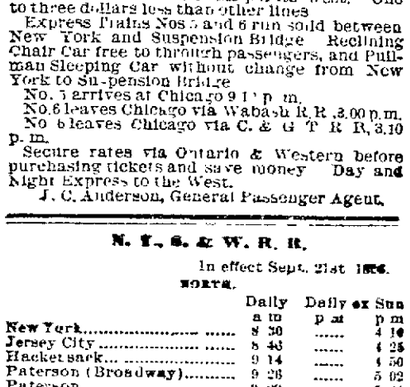

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Solid trains between New York and Chicago, via Chautauqua Lake or Niagara Falls. Pullman cars between New York and Rochester, Buffalo, Niagara Falls, Toronto, Chautauqua Lake, Cleveland, Cincinnati and Chicago.

TIME TABLE ADOPTED NOV. 1, 1896.

Sun 18	12	14	8	22	14	26	30	6	38	2	11	1	21	17	3	7	29	25	5	38	16	28	27	15	25	10	26	16	28	38	6	30	2	8	22	14	26	18

UNIVERSALIST CHURCH ORGANIZED.

Now Ready for Incorporation—To be Known as Christ Church—The Officers Elected.

The members of the Universalist Church met yesterday afternoon in Assembly Rooms, pursuant to a legal call, to take such action as is necessary for the incorporation of the church under the statute laws of the State. The organization under which they have been working was a provisional one, and at this meeting by-laws for the complete government of the church in conformity to legal requirements were adopted. The corporate name of the church, and that by which it will henceforth be known, is "Christ Church, of Middletown, N. Y." The date of its annual meeting is the Monday succeeding Easter Sunday of each year.

Regular meetings for religious and business purposes will be held on the Friday evenings preceding each Communion Sunday.

The Lord's Supper will be observed on the first Sundays of January, July, October, and in connection with Easter services.

Six trustees were elected: Dr. Edwin Fancher and George N. Clemson, for one year; T. Edward Hayes and Edmund Miller, for two years; J. E. Gibbs and Frank Buckley, for three years.

George LeFever and James P. Florence were elected deacons, Mrs. John E. Adams and Mrs. Hermon Brower deaconesses. S. R. Morgan was elected superintendent of the Sunday school.

The secretary, treasurer and collector will be elected by the Board of Trustees.

AN EXPERIENCE SOCIAL.

Pleasing Financial Results and How Obtained.

An "experience social" under the auspices of the Universalist Ladies' Aid Society, was held last evening, at the residence of P. D. Nearing, West Main street. Each lady and their friends had been busy during the weeks past earning "a dollar or more," and at this social names were responded to with poems and rhymes telling how they had done it, and depositing the money. The beautiful and commodious rooms were filled with an interested and amused company as they listened to the humorous, and in some instances really excellent verses produced. The treasurer's basket was filled and $159.76 was the financial result. This will be increased.

A very pleasant evening socially was enjoyed.

Amateur Indians Arrested.

Ernest Killmer and Cecil Horan, Staatsburgh, Dutchess county, boys, who were infected with the Indian fever, captured two younger lads, last week, and attempted to burn them at the stake after the fashion of the noble red man. They were arrested, Tuesday, and when arraigned had none of the stoicism of the savage, but sniveled and whimpered like most boys in a scrape. Sentence was suspended, but the father of one of the boys, whose life was imperilled by being thrown into a pile of burning brush, threatens to sue the parents of the amateur Indians for damages.

The Erie's Dining Car Service.

The dining cars operated by the Erie Railroad now serve breakfast, luncheon and supper on the cafe plan, the cost depending on what is ordered. Breakfast, for example, may consist of anything from fruit and chops to rolls and coffee and the passenger pays only for what he gets. An elaborate dinner is served table d'hote at the uniform price of one dollar.

Y. M. C. A. Gymnasium Club to Visit Wurtsboro.

From our Wurtsboro Correspondent

The gymnasium club of the Middletown Y. M. C. A. will give an entertainment at Dorrance Hall Friday evening, April 2. Admission, 10 and 15 cents; reserved seats, 20 cents. As the net proceeds go to our village branch of the Y. M. C. A., the boys hope for a good attendance. The club has given excellent satisfaction at several neighboring villages.

La Grippe-Stricken Village.

The *Recorder* says that 125 persons in Dekertown are sick, most of them with the grip, which is of a very severe type. Among the sick are Drs. Tuttle and Allen.

Card of Thanks.

The children of Mrs. Mary E. Kniffin wish to thank friends and neighbors for their kindness during their sad bereavement.

JAMES E. KNIFFIN.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last 15 years and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligations made by their firm.

WEST & TRUAX, Wholesale druggists, Toledo, O., WALDING, KINNAN & MARVIN, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, O.

Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials free. Price 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists.

Women who object to consult for painful irregularities, cramps and headaches peculiar to the sex, relieved at once without danger by Apioline-Chapoteaut. Send $1. P. O Box 2,081, New York. d31,toMay4

Dr. Miles' Nerve Plasters 25c. at all druggists.

THREE HAPPY WOMEN.

Each Relieved of Periodic Pain and Backache. A Trio of Fervent Letters.

Before using Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, my health was gradually being undermined. I suffered untold agony from painful menstruation, backache, pain on top of my head and ovarian trouble. I concluded to try Mrs. Pinkham's Compound, and found that it was all any woman needs who suffers with painful monthly periods. It entirely cured me. MRS. GEORGIE WASS, 923 Bank St., Cincinnati, O.

For years I had suffered with painful menstruation every month. At the beginning of menstruation it was impossible for me to stand up for more than five minutes, I felt so miserable. One day a little book of Mrs. Pinkham's was thrown into my house, and I sat right down and read it. I then got some of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and Liver Pills. I can heartily say that to-day I feel like a new woman; my monthly suffering is a thing of the past. I shall always praise the Vegetable Compound for what it has done for me. MRS. MARGARET ANDERSON, 363 Lisbon St., Lewiston, Me.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has cured me of painful menstruation and backache. The pain in my back was dreadful, and the agony I suffered during menstruation nearly drove me wild.

Now this is all over, thanks to Mrs. Pinkham's medicine and advice.—MRS. CARRIE V. WILLIAMS, South Mills, N. C.

The great volume of testimony proves conclusively that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is a safe, sure and almost infallible remedy in cases of irregularity, suppressed, excessive or painful monthly periods.

HYMENEAL.

Bennett—Perry.

Correspondence ARGUS and MERCURY.

On the evening of March 24th, at the home of the bride's parents, Chauncey E. Bennett and Miss Mary E. Perry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Perry, all of Mount Hope, were united in wedlock by the Rev. Nelson J. Brown, pastor of the M. E. Churches of South Centreville and Greenville.

"Boss Tumblers" at Boss Dayton's.

"Boss tumblers at 29 cents a dozen" is one of the signs displayed in Boss Dayton's store window. The new boss is not inclined to allow the people to forget that he is the boss. There is nothing like impressing this fact upon the rank and file of his party and at the same time getting a little business out of the use of his new title. The sign attracts attention and any one in need of tumblers is pretty sure to buy for the "boss tumblers" are a good article and well worth the money.

FOUR OF A KIND.

And All Brainy.

Four business men sat talking in an office, when the subject of food and drink came up.

One said that he had suffered for some six months from a peculiar sensation in the head and had been under the care of a physician until he happened to read an article on the coffee topers of Paris, in which the testimony of a number of physicians was given, to the effect that coffee contained the same poisonous elements as strychnine, morphine, tobacco and whiskey, but in smaller quantities.

This set him to thinking, with a result that coffee was left out of his diet, and in less than a week the head trouble was gone. Each of the other three gentlemen added their testimony to the effect that coffee had proved a sly and insidious enemy instead of a friend, as in each case some stomach liver or nervous trouble had been produced by even moderate coffee drinking.

One added the remark that "it was hard to give over coffee, but I got some Postum coffee, made of grains at Battle Creek, Mich., and it is so perfect in color and taste that I am enjoying my coffee now daily, as are also my wife and children, for Postum is made of pure grains, (wheat etc.) and is nourishing and fattening, a pure food-drink, and another feature not to be despised is the fact that it goes about three times as far as coffee, although, of course, the economy is not nearly so great a question as that of health and comfort for myself and family."

There is but one genuine original Postum Cereal coffee, with a multitude of imitations offered as "just as good."

Just try a 10c. box of Cascarets, the finest liver and bowel regulator ever made.

AUCTION!

Of Fine Blooded Horses, Cows, Etc.

The undersigned will sell at public auction, Tuesday, March 30th, 1897, commencing at 10 o'clock a. m., at the late residence of Henry R. Corwin, deceased, on Wisner avenue, near the Campbell fair grounds, and near the city of Middletown, New York, the following property to wit.

Six well bred horses, including the black stallion Count Simmons, sired by Simmons, record 2:28, dam by Sambrino Time, second dam by Regular by Volunteer.

Chestnut gelding Colonel, six years old as informed, sire by Montezuma 2:21¼, second sire Alcantra, 2:23, dam by Middletown.

Bay gelding Allen W., six years old, sired by Saint Gothard, 2:27.

Chestnut gelding Frank B., five years old, sired by Autograph, 2:18½, second sire Alcantra, record 2:23, dam by Blue Bull.

Bay mare Helen, four years old, sired by Kentucky Arthur, sired by Kentucky Prince, dam by Middletown and second dam we are informed by Edsall's Hambletonian, the sire of Goldsmith's Maid.

Chestnut gelding Fred B., three years old, sired by Kentucky Arthur by Kentucky Prince, dam Middletown.

Four Jersey cows, three of which are springers.

Also the following farming implements, etc.: mowing machine horse hay rake, hay shelvings, plows, shovels, churning machine, grind stone, 1 Gardner hay fork complete, 2 wide tire lumber wagons, 2 horse wood sleigh, and Portland sleigh, 2 two-seated top carriages, 2 top carriages, 1 three-fourth seat buggy, 2 road carts, 2 sets double harness, 2 sets single harness, robes, blankets, etc., hay in mow, rye and rye straw, 2 or 3 acres of growing rye, potatoes, 2,000 feet pine siding, 1,500 feet pine boards and 3,000 shingles and other things too numerous to mention. Terms made known on day of sale.

ALLEN W. CORWIN, Executor of the estate of Henry R. Corwin, deceased. wlt,d23 26,29

House Burned in Matamoras.

The new house of Joseph Bach, in Matamoras, was destroyed by fire about 8:30 o'clock, yesterday morning. The fire caught near the chimney and was discovered before it had made much progress but the village having no fire department the spread of the flames could not be stopped. The house was insured for $800, nothing like enough to cover the loss.

Seventy million people know Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, strengthens the system and gives good health.

Dr. Miles' Pain Pills, "One cent a dose."

DIED.

DEWSNAP—At Mechanictown, March 25, '97, Susannah D., widow of the late George Dewsnap, aged seventy-eight years.

Funeral Sunday afternoon at the First Baptist Church, this city, at 2:30 o'clock. Interment in family plot Philipsburgh. There will be no services at the house.

FRED O. ROCKAFELLOW, Undertaker, No. 99 North street. Lady assistant. Telephone No. 3. New York office, 154 East 23d street.

KNAPP & MERRITT, Undertakers and Embalmers, 42 West Main street corner James, Middletown, N. Y. 50 Great Jones St., New York city. Lady assistant. Telephone Call No. 10.

JOHN DONOVAN, Undertaker and Embalmer 124 North street. Fine coaches to let. Telephone 15. Lady assistant. Open day and night.

DOUGHERTY & REILLY, Undertakers and Embalmers, 50 Cottage street, Middletown. Telephone 42, night and day. New York office, 27 Great Jones street.

ISAIAH D. OSTERHOUT, Undertaker and Embalmer, graduate of United States College of Embalming. Residence, No. 22 Wickham avenue; Warerooms, corner North street and Wickham avenue, Middletown, N. Y. The finest modern equipments and every requirement for funerals furnished. Experienced lady assistant. Telephone 158 Branch offices—48 Great Jones street, New York city, and 40 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn.

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FOR RENT—Very desirable upper tenement, 5 rooms, city water, No. 53 Hunford street. 1d2t A. B. WILBUR.

ROOMS to let 109 Wickham avenue. d1t WHEELER, 67 Linden avenue.

AUCTION—I will sell at my place, one and one-fourth miles north of Middletown, on March 31, 1897, at 12 o'clock, the following property: One horse, 12 cows and farming utensils. wlt,d1t WILLARD M. CLARK.

A STURDY young man wanted by the month; must be a good milker. WALTER HARLOR, South Centreville, Orange Co., N. Y. wlt

FOR RENT—Four rooms, first floor, double house, Wawayanda avenue. Good well and cistern. $6.

MERRILL & BURKE, Attorneys, No. 57 North street.

PORK 8 cents, CHOPS 10 cents, 3 pounds 25 cents. 1d3t GREENING'S

IRA M. CORWIN, dealer in Grass Seeds, would invite an examination of his stock before buying. Quality and prices correct. Have on hand medium and large Clover, Alfalfa, Alsike, Crimson, Timothy, Red Top, Orchard and Blue Grass. Also German and Hungarian Millett in the season. North St. and Erie R. R. c&wtoApr26

CHAS. J. KIDD, Jr., 70 Academy avenue—3,000 designs in Wall Paper. Estimates furnished for painting, decorating and hanging. 71dtf

EXTRACTING with gas 50c., odontander 50c. No charge for extracting when artificial teeth are to be inserted. Best teeth $6, $8 and $10 a set. Twenty years' experience. 39d&wtf DR. ROBINSON, Hand 16 James St.

CLAIRVOYANT—PROF. W. H. SAGENDORF will return to Middletown April 12th and remain one week at Wm. S. Ross', 37 James street. 186d&w6mJun17

WHOOPING COUGH, relieved at once and permanently cured by the use of our Whooping Cough Plasters. The effect is wonderful, cannot harm the youngest child. Price 25 cents. Sold at CHAMBERS' Postoffice Pharmacy, 57 North street.

TO RENT—No. 2 Low Block, modern improvements. Apply at 4 Low Block. 90d15t

BUY a Home Now—Lots can be procured on Watkins avenue at $50 and terms to suit. Apply to CHAS. Z. TAYLOR, No. 1 Railroad avenue.

MARIE L. DEVESSEY, M. D., V. D., C. M. S.—American Specialist. Cutaneous Blood Diseases. Branch office, 22 Highland Ave., Middletown, N. Y. 58dtoFeb1'98

BOARDING House to let, desirable location on West Main street, Goshen. 87d1mApl1 JAS. J. O'CONNOR.

HELP WANTED.

SOLICITORS WANTED FOR DR. TALMAGE'S "The Earth Girdled," or his famous tour around the world, a thrilling story of savage and barbarous lands. Four million Talmage's books sold and "The Earth Girdled" is his latest and grandest. DEMAND ENORMOUS. Everybody wants this famous book; only $3.50. BIG BOOK, BIG COMMISSIONS. A gold mine for workers. CREDIT GIVEN. FREIGHT PAID. OUTFITS FREE. Drop all trash and sell the king of books and make $300 a month. Address for outfit and territory, The Dominion Company, Star Building, Chicago. 1d30t

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

JAS. P. TIGHE, Commission Broker, Stern Building, 16 North street, Middletown, N. Y. Stocks, Bonds, Grain and Provisions bought and sold for cash or carried on margin.

NEW YORK, March 26, '97.

	Yesterday Close	To-day Close
Sugar	112¼	111⅞
Tobacco	76½	73¾
Chicago Gas	78⅝	79
Nat. Lead	22⅝	22⅝
General Electric	33¾	32⅝
U. S. L., pref.	57½	57¼
Tenn. Coal and Iron	26½	25¾
A. T. & S. F.	10⅝	10⅜
C. B. & Q.	72¾	71⅝
C. M. & St. P.	75⅝	75½
R. I.	64¾	64½
D. L. & W.	—	—
C. of N. J.	86¾	86¾
Erie	—	—
D. and H.	107¼	107½
O. & W.	—	—
Susquehanna & Western	—	—
Susquehanna & West., pref.	—	—
P. & R.	21⅝	22⅛
N. W.	106⅝	106
L. S.	167	—
N. Y. C.	99¾	99½
M. P.	18	18⅛
Texas	—	—
U. P.	6⅛	6
W. Union	83¼	83⅜
L. & N.	46½	46½
Manhattan	84⅝	84¾
P. M.	26⅝	26
Wabash, pref.	13⅜	13¼
No. Pacific, pref.	35⅞	34⅝
W. L.	—	—
Southern R'y	—	—
Southern, pref.	26¼	26⅛
May Wheat	72⅜	72¾
May Corn	24⅝	24½
May Oats	17¾	17¼
May Pork	$8 75	$8 67
May Lard	4 25	4 22

HOOD'S PILLS cure Liver Ills, Biliousness, Indigestion, Headache. Easy to take, easy to operate. 25c.

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FOR SALE or to let from April 1st—Two new cottages, one on Harrison street, 7 rooms; one corner Albert and Beattie avenue, 9 rooms; All modern improvements. Inquire BULL & YOUNGBLOOD. 97dtf

PARKINS Great music, Columbia Park, Thursday evening. Ladies free. Gentlemen's tickets at Pronk's 25 cents.

FINE Flat to Let—Bath, range, etc., 22 Wickham avenue, opp. Lake avenue. 99dtf

SHAD 15 cents and up. Ticket with each purchase. GREENING'S 99d3t

FOR RENT—The lower floor of House, No. 198 East Main Street. Enquire at 26 Grove street. 3t*

NURSE Girl wanted, to board and sleep home. Colored girl preferred. 37 EAST AVENUE.

BED Lounge, two Kitchen Lounges, Clothes Wringer, Chamber Commode, Extension Table, Kitchen Tables, Mahogany Bedstead, all cheap at the EXCHANGE AND MART CO., No. 46 East Main street.

TO LET—Four rooms near the asylum. Enquire at No. 11 Knapp avenue. 4td

TO LET—House and barn, centrally located, No. 30 Canal street. Enquire of J. & P. CUMMINGS, corner East avenue and Fulton street. 93dtf

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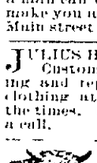

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